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LOS ANGELES

The fourth annual meeting of the **Southern California Psychiatric Society** will be held Saturday, October 20, 1956, at the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles. Registration will take place at 10:30 that morning and the scientific program will begin at 1:30 p.m.

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The **Society of Graduate Internists** of the Los Angeles County Hospital will hold its fourth annual clinical symposium at the Statler Hotel and the Los Angeles County Hospital on November 16, 17, and 18, 1956. Guest speakers will be Dr. Jerome W. Conn, Ann Arbor; Dr. Michael E. DeBakey, Houston; Dr. Carl V. Moore, St. Louis, and Dr. Robert W. Wilkins, Boston.

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The National Institutes of Health have granted \$13,432 for the first year of a two-year study on the "Screening of Plant and Animal Extracts for Antineoplastic Activity" to Drs. Mervyn Hardinge and Lester Loneragan of the Department of Pharmacology in the College of Medical Evangelists School of Medicine. Collaborating with the team will be Dr. Bruce Halstead and associates from C.M.E.'s School of Tropical and Preventive Medicine.

SAN FRANCISCO

A surgical refresher course dedicated to the memory of the late **Dr. Francis T. Hodges**, under the sponsorship of the San Francisco Academy of General Practices, will be given by the surgical service of the Veterans Administration Hospital at Fort Miley, San Francisco, and by members of the departments of surgery of Stanford University and University of California schools of medicine. Meetings will be held Tuesday evenings, October 23 and October 30 and November 6, 13, 20 and 27 between the hours of 8 and 10 in the Fort Miley hospital auditorium.

The course is accredited for postgraduate education for AAGP members. The fee is \$15 for AAGP members and \$20 for nonmembers.

For further information and registration, contact Lawrence M. Trauner, M.D., 450 Sutter Street, San Francisco 8.

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Announcement of the appointment of **Dr. Leon Goldman** as associate dean of the University of California School of Medicine, San Francisco, was announced recently by Dr. J. B. deC. M. Saunders, dean of the School of Medicine.

The appointments of **Dr. Robert H. Crede** and **Malcolm S. Watts** as assistant deans were also announced. All three men will continue to serve in their previous positions, Dr. Goldman as professor and chairman of the department of surgery, Dr. Crede as associate professor of medicine and Dr. Watts as assistant clinical professor of medicine. In addition

Dr. Goldman's responsibilities will include supervision of postdoctoral training, including internships, and he will also serve as liaison representative with the San Francisco Hospital. Dr. Crede will have purview of matters affecting undergraduate students. Dr. Watts will assist the dean in the area of professional relations. He will be the dean's liaison officer with the medical profession and with medical societies.

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The Utility Workshop of the San Francisco Committee for Service to Emigres will be used as an employment project for patients in the **Rehabilitation Service** of Stanford Hospital, it was announced recently by Hyman Kaplan, general secretary of the committee.

The Workshop for the past 13 years has given employment opportunities to elderly and disabled persons unemployable in private industry. The Hospital's Rehabilitation Service has launched the experimental program in cooperation with the Utility Workshop for the purpose of helping rehabilitation patients to adjust to a job routine preliminary to attempts to place them in competitive industry.

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At the 9th Annual Meeting of the **American Association of Blood Banks** held September 3 to 5, 1956, in Boston, **Mrs. Bernice Hemphill** of San Francisco was reelected treasurer and **Dr. Owen F. Thomas** of Santa Rosa was elected a district director. The new president of the organization is Dr. E. E. Muirhead of Dallas, Texas, and the president-elect Dr. Oscar Hunter of Washington, D. C.

GENERAL

Three schools in California each received \$500,000 of the recently allotted Ford Foundation grants totaling \$21,750,000 that were given to strengthen instruction in the 44 privately-supported medical schools now in operation in the United States. They are: College of Medical Evangelists School of Medicine, Los Angeles; University of Southern California School of Medicine, Los Angeles; and Stanford University School of Medicine, San Francisco.

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The **Pacific Coast Society for the Study of Sterility** will hold its fourth annual open meeting at Palm Springs, California, November 8 to 11, 1956.

Registration is open to all physicians and other scientists interested in the problems of infertility. Advance registration fee of \$10 may be sent to the secretary-treasurer, 10911 Weyburn Avenue, Los Angeles 24.

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The annual convention of the **American College of Gastroenterology** will be held at The Roosevelt in New York City on October 15, 16, 17, 1956. The program this year will feature six panel discussions on the diseases of the gastrointestinal tract, one to be presented by each of the six medical schools in New York City. Following the convention, the annual course in **postgraduate gastroenterology**, under the personal direction of Dr. Owen H. Wangenstein of Minneapolis and Dr. I. Snapper of Brooklyn will take place on October 18, 19, 20, 1956. The faculty has been chosen from the medical schools in New York and adjacent areas.

Copies of the program and further information concerning the postgraduate course may be obtained by writing to: American College of Gastroenterology, 33 West 60th Street, New York 23, N. Y.